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MEETING, COPENHAGEN, MARCH 15-16; INITIATIVE ON CYPRUS

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1. DURING TODAY'S READOUT ON THE POLITICAL DIRECTORS' MEETING,  
EC PRESIDENCY CHIEF JORGEN BOJER TOLD US OF AN INITIATIVE TO BE  
TAKEN BY THE NINE TODAY ON CYPRUS.

2. BOJER REPEATED EARLIER EXPRESSIONS OF APPRECIATION FOR INFOR-  
MATION THE DANES HAVE RECEIVED AS EC PRESIDENT BOTH FROM WASHINGTON  
AND FROM THE SUBSTANCE OF APPROPRIATE REPORTING FROM OUR EMBASSIES  
IN THE AREA THAT WE HAVE PASSED ON. IT WOULD APPEAR, SAID BOJER,  
THAT THE UPBEAT, HOPEFUL EVALUATION OF THE ECEVIT-CARAMANLIS  
MEETING IS SHARED BY ALL.

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3. TAKING A DIFFERENT TACK, BOJER THAN SAID THAT THE DANISH  
AMBASSADOR IN ANKARA WAS CALLED IN BY THE TURKISH MFA LAST SATURDAY,  
MARCH 10. THE TURKS WANTED THE NINE TO ASK THE US ADMINISTRATION  
TO PUSH AHEAD WITH PROCEDURES TO GET CONGRESSIONAL APPROVAL OF THE  
TURKISH DEFENSE COOPERATION AGREEMENT (DCA) (REFS A & B).  
THIS EXPRESSION ON THE PART OF THE TURKS, BOJER SAID, WAS MADE

AS A REACTION TO THE SECRETARY'S COMMENTS WHICH THE TURKS MIS-INTERPRETED (REF C) AND WHICH WERE LATER CLARIFIED BY THE DEPARTMENT'S SPOKESMAN (REF D).

4. NEITHER THE DANES NOR ANY OTHER MEMBER OF THE NINE WISHED TO PURSUE THIS WITH THE US AND, IN CONNECTION WITH THE DEMARCHE ON CYPRUS DESCRIBED BELOW, WILL TELL THE TURKS WHY. FIRST, THE TURKS WILL BE TOLD THAT THEIR REACTION WAS BASED ON A MISUNDERSTANDING. SECONDLY, RELATIONS BETWEEN THE EXECUTIVE AND CONGRESSIONAL BRANCHES OF THE USG IS NOT SOMETHING THAT THE NINE WANT TO INVOLVE THEMSELVES IN. FURTHERMORE, THE NINE REGARD THE DCA AS PURELY A BILATERAL US-TURKISH PROBLEM. FINALLY, IN ANY CASE THE NINE HAVE THE IMPRESSION THAT THE US ADMINISTRATION IS ALREADY GIVING SERIOUS CONSIDERATION TO THIS WHOLE MATTER.

5. REPEATING HIS EARLIER CAUTIOUS OPTIMISM ON CYPRUS AS A RESULT OF THE ECEVIT-CARAMANLIS MEETING, BOJER SAID THAT THE NINE CONCLUDED THAT PROSPECTS FOR A PRODUCTIVE RESUMPTION OF CYPRIOT INTERCOMMUNAL TALKS WERE BETTER NOW THAN THEY HAD BEEN FOR A LONG TIME. ACCORDINGLY, THE DANISH AMBASSADORS IN ANKARA, NICOSIA AND ATHENS SPEAKING FOR THE NINE, HAVE BEEN INSTRUCTED TO SEEK AN EARLY OPPORTUNITY AFTER 1200 HOURS COPENHAGEN TIME TODAY TO EXPRESS TO THEIR HOST GOVERNMENTS THE JUDGMENT OF THE EC THAT THIS OPPORTUNITY FOR PRODUCTIVE NEGOTIATIONS SHOULD NOT BE MISSED OR SQUANDERED.

6. THE TURKS WILL BE URGED TO MAKE REASONABLE, CONSTRUCTIVE  
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PROPOSALS; THE GREEK CYPRIOT GOVERNMENT WILL BE TOLD OF THE DEMARCHE MADE IN ANKARA AND WILL BE URGED TO BE RECEPTIVE TO TURKISH PROPOSALS; ATHENS WILL BE TOLD OF THE OTHER DEMARCHES AND WILL BE REQUESTED TO GIVE ITS APPROVAL OF THE VIEWS AND INITIATIVE OF THE NINE. FINALLY, THE USG WILL BE INFORMED. "THIS," SAID BOJER, "IS WHAT I'M NOW DOING."  
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